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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. Eshoo).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> Washington, DC, November 30, 2022.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANNA G. ESHOO to act as Speaker pro tempore on this

NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following

Holy and eternal God, with You a day is like a thousand years and a thousand years a day. In the face of the 280 days of warfare in Ukraine, help us not to doubt Your sway over time and Your sovereignty over our lives. You are not slow to keep Your promise, but we ask Your patience with us when we pray for immediate resolution.

Grant each side and all those immersed in this conflict moral clarity in the midst of this horror. Grant us Your vision where there seems to be no end in sight. Reveal Your perfect justice and restore the livelihoods which have been destroyed and the souls which have been crushed.

Uphold those who remain faithful to the cause of righteousness. Continue to grant them the spiritual strength that has, throughout their adversity, served as a testimony to the resilience to be found only in You.

For in You, they are known, though regarded as unknown; they are dying and yet they live on; beaten and yet not killed; sorrowful, yet always rejoicing. For they have found that in You, O Lord, is peace.

Grant then Your peace to Ukraine and all who suffer from injustice in this world. In the strength of Your name we pray.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. BUTTERFIELD) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. BUTTERFIELD led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

REMEMBERING BETTY RAY McCAIN

(Mr. BUTTERFIELD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Madam Speaker, it is with great sadness that I must rise today to pay tribute to the Honorable Betty Ray McCain, a North Carolina trailblazer, who at the age of 91 passed away on last Wednesday. Betty McCain lived a remarkable life. Her many contributions to the Democratic Party and her unselfish leadership to

the State of North Carolina are immeasurable.

Born in Faison, North Carolina, Betty graduated as valedictorian from Faison High School in 1947. She graduated from St. Mary's College and then received a master's degree in music from Columbia University.

Following her marriage to Dr. John Lewis McCain, they moved to Wilson, North Carolina, my hometown, where they were engaged in all aspects of public life. It is in Wilson where Betty McCain began her career in local and national politics and became known for her incredible wit.

During the administration of our beloved former Governor Jim Hunt, Betty McCain served as Secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources.

Betty McCain is survived by her son, Paul, and his wife, Beth; daughter, Eloise, and her husband, Robby; grandchildren: Elizabeth; Emily; John, II; Mary; and Bayly.

HONORING THE NORTH CAROLINA TRUCKERS WHO DELIVERED THE CAPITOL CHRISTMAS TREE

(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, yesterday, on the west front lawn of the Capitol, we celebrated the lighting of this year's Capitol Christmas tree.

The 78-foot red spruce named "Ruby" comes from Pisgah National Forest in western North Carolina.

Madam Speaker, this magnificent tree did not magically appear at the Capitol. Proud members of North Carolina's trucking industry made this hap-

Ralph, Eddie, and Ryan Hardy of Hardy Brothers Trucking in Siloam, North Carolina, adapted one of their trucks to carry Ruby. Harold and Deborah Kingdon drove the special truck on the 14-day journey to Washington to deliver Ruby.

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